Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Supervisor's Report on Use of Force

Incident Information

URN: 020-07436-2607-146	Date: 06/02/20	Time: 1822	
Location: [redacted] East Avenue Q-10		City or Station: Palmdale	
Bureau/Station/Facility: North Patrol Division / Palmdale Station		Admin. Investigation: ◯ YES ◉ NO	
Type of Force: Control Holds, Resistive Handcuffing			
Incident Category: ◯ 1 ◯ 2 ◉ 3	Deputy Injury: ◯ YES ◉ NO	Suspect Injury ◉ YES ◯ NO	
☒ Call	☐ Observation	☐ Detail	☐ Foot Pursuit ☐ Vehicle Pursuit
IAB Notified: ◉ YES ◯ NO	Person Notified: Lt. Mouat	Emp: [redacted]	IAB Roll Out ◉ YES ◯ NO

Involved Employee

E 1

Employee #: [redacted]	Last Name: McDonald	First Name: Christopher	Middle I.: R.	Rank: DSG		
Sex: ◉ M ◯ F	Race: W	Height: 509	Weight: 185	Age: [redacted]	Shift: ◯ EM ◯ Day ◉ PM	◉ Regular Shift ◯ OT Shift ◯ Off Duty
Unit of Assignment: Palmdale Station			Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.): 264			
Individual Force Used: Control Holds, Resist Handcuffing			◯ Directed ◯ Rescue ◯ Medical Assist	Individual Category ◯ 1 ◯ 2 ◉ 3		
☐ Injured ☐ Treated ☐ Admitted	Facility:			Coroner Case #		

E 2

Employee #: [redacted]	Last Name: [redacted]	First Name: [redacted]	Middle I.: [redacted]	Rank: DSG		
Sex: ◉ M ◯ F	Race: W	Height: 600	Weight: 215	Age: [redacted]	Shift: ◯ EM ◯ Day ◉ PM	◉ Regular Shift ◯ OT Shift ◯ Off Duty
Unit of Assignment: Palmdale Station			Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.): 264			
Individual Force Used: Control Holds			◯ Directed ◯ Rescue ◯ Medical Assist	Individual Category ◯ 1 ◉ 2 ◯ 3		
☐ Injured ☐ Treated ☐ Admitted	Facility:			Coroner Case #		

E 3

Employee #: [redacted]	Last Name: [redacted]	First Name: [redacted]	Middle I.: [redacted]	Rank: DSG		
Sex: ◯ M ◉ F	Race: H	Height: 502	Weight: 133	Age: [redacted]	Shift: ◯ EM ◯ Day ◉ PM	◉ Regular Shift ◯ OT Shift ◯ Off Duty
Unit of Assignment: Palmdale Station			Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.): 261			
Individual Force Used: Control Holds			◯ Directed ◯ Rescue ◯ Medical Assist	Individual Category ◉ 1 ◯ 2 ◯ 3		
☐ Injured ☐ Treated ☐ Admitted	Facility:			Coroner Case #		

On Duty Supervisor

☒ Additional Involved Employees

Emp. #	Last Name	First Name	Middle I.	Rank	Present	Witness to Incident
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	Sgt	YES ◯ NO ◉	YES ◯ NO ◉

Supervisor Completing Investigation

Emp. #	Last Name	First Name	Middle I.	Rank	Present	Witness to Incident
[redacted]	Guillen	Adrian	E.	Sgt	YES ◯ NO ◉	YES ◯ NO ◉

Watch Commander / Supervising Lieutenant

Emp. #	Last Name	First Name	Middle I.	Rank
[redacted]	Mouat	Chris	J.	Lt

[signature] 2/16/21

Watch Commander / Supervising Lieutenant's **Signature:** | Date | Copy Provided to Employee by: | Emp #:

Unit Commander **(Print Name)** | Unit Commander's **Signature**: | Emp #: | Date

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☐ PPI REVIEW COMPLETED

Original: Discovery Unit
Copy: Unit Commander

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INVOLVED EMPLOYEE - Continuation

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Involved Employee

E4

Employee #	Last Name	First Name	Middle I.	Rank
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	DSG

Sex	Race	Height	Weight	Age	Shift	
(●) M ( ) F	H	511	230	[redacted]	( ) EM ( ) Day (●) PM	( ) Regular Shift (●) OT Shift ( ) Off Duty

Unit of Assignment: Palmdale Station

Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.): 266Y

Individual Force Used: Control Holds

( ) Directed ( ) Rescue ( ) Medical Assist

Individual Category ( ) 1 ( ) 2 ( ) 3

☐ Injured ☐ Treated ☐ Admitted Facility: ______

Coroner Case #

E__

Employee # | Last Name | First Name | Middle I. | Rank

Sex: ( ) M ( ) F | Race: | Height: | Weight: | Age: | Shift: ( ) EM ( ) Day ( ) PM | ( ) Regular Shift ( ) OT Shift ( ) Off Duty

Unit of Assignment:

Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):

Individual Force Used:

( ) Directed ( ) Rescue ( ) Medical Assist

Individual Category ( ) 1 ( ) 2 ( ) 3

☐ Injured ☐ Treated ☐ Admitted Facility: ______

Coroner Case #

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Employee # | Last Name | First Name | Middle I. | Rank

Sex: ( ) M ( ) F | Race: | Height: | Weight: | Age: | Shift: ( ) EM ( ) Day ( ) PM | ( ) Regular Shift ( ) OT Shift ( ) Off Duty

Unit of Assignment:

Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):

Individual Force Used:

( ) Directed ( ) Rescue ( ) Medical Assist

Individual Category ( ) 1 ( ) 2 ( ) 3

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Individual Category ( ) 1 ( ) 2 ( ) 3

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Individual Category ( ) 1 ( ) 2 ( ) 3

☐ Injured ☐ Treated ☐ Admitted Facility: ______

Coroner Case #

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SUSPECT INFORMATION

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Suspect Information

S 1

Last Name: Doss | First Name: Jeremy | Middle Name: Jamal | Armed? Select: Not Armed

AKA Last Name: | First Name: | Middle Name:

Sex:	Race:	Age:	Height:	Weight	D.O.B:	Phone #1: ○ H ○ W ◉ C	Phone #2: ○ H ○ W ○ C
◉ Male ○ Female	B	25	511	165	04-20-95	[redacted]	

Street Address: [redacted] | City: [redacted] | State & Zip Code: [redacted]

Booking #: 5947454 | Primary Charge Code: 243(e)(1) PC | Secondary Charge Code: 148(A) PC | [redacted] Criminal History

Treated on Scene? ○ YES ◉ NO | Name: | Unit: | Phone #:

Hospital Admission? ☐ | Rec'd Treatment At: PRMC | Coroner Case #: | Mental History ☒ User's guide provides direction on this entry

By: Dr. Cory Wilson | Address: 38600 Medical Center Drive, Palmdale | Phone #: 661-382-5000

Under Influence: ◉ YES ○ NO | Substance: Alcohol | 5150 a factor in force? ◉ YES ○ NO User's guide provides direction on this entry

Suspect Interview

Date: 06/02/20 | Time: 1920 hr | ☐ Audiotape: | ☒ Videotape: | ☒ Photos of Injuries: | ☐ ADMITS HEARING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Suspect Information

S__

Last Name: | First Name: | Middle Name: | Armed? Select:

AKA Last Name: | First Name: | Middle Name:

Sex:	Race:	Age:	Height:	D.O.B.	Weight:	Phone #1: ○ H ○ W ○ C	Phone #2: ○ H ○ W ○ C
○ Male ○ Female							

Street Address: | City: | State & Zip Code:

Booking #: | Primary Charge Code: | Secondary Charge Code: | ☐ Criminal History

Treated on Scene? ○ YES ○ NO | By: | Unit: | Phone #:

Hospital Admission? ☐ | Rec'd Treatment At: | Coroner Case #: | Mental History ☐ User's guide provides direction on this entry

By: | Address: | Phone #:

Under Influence: ○ YES ○ NO | Substance: | 5150 a factor in force? ○ YES ○ NO User's guide provides direction on this entry

Suspect Interview

Date: | Time: | ☐ Audiotape: | ☐ Videotape: | ☐ Photos of Injuries: | ☐ ADMITS HEARING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Suspect Information

S__

Last Name: | First Name: | Middle Name: | Armed? Select:

AKA Last Name: | First Name: | Middle Name:

Sex:	Race:	Age:	Height:	D.O.B.	Weight:	Phone #1: ○ H ○ W ○ C	Phone #2: ○ H ○ W ○ C
○ Male ○ Female							

Street Address: | City: | State & Zip Code:

Booking #: | Primary Charge Code: | Secondary Charge Code: | ☐ Criminal History

Treated on Scene? ○ YES ○ NO | By: | Unit: | Phone #:

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By: | Address: | Phone #:

Under Influence: ○ YES ○ NO | Substance: | 5150 a factor in force? ○ YES ○ NO User's guide provides direction on this entry

Suspect Interview

Date: | Time: | ☐ Audiotape: | ☐ Videotape: | ☐ Photos of Injuries: | ☐ ADMITS HEARING ANNOUNCEMENTS

☐ **Additional Suspects Involved**

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EMPLOYEE / NON-EMPLOYEE INFORMATION

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Employee Witnesses

Emp. #	Last Name	First Name	Middle Name
[redacted]	Dyer	Nicholas	J.

Unit of Assignment:	Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):	Shift:	
Palmdale	261	○ EM ○ Day ◉ PM	○ Regular ◉ OT ○ Off Duty

Emp. #	Last Name	First Name	Middle Name
[redacted]	Courtial	Michael	J.

Unit of Assignment:	Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):	Shift:	
Palmdale	266Y	○ EM ○ Day ◉ PM	○ Regular ◉ OT ○ Off Duty

Emp. #	Last Name	First Name	Middle Name

Unit of Assignment:	Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):	Shift:	
		○ EM ○ Day PM	○ Regular ○ OT ○ Off Duty

Non-Employee Witnesses

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Age	D.O.B.
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	53	[redacted]

Street Address	City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	None

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Age	D.O.B.
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	20	[redacted]

Street Address	City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	None

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Age	D.O.B.
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	18	[redacted]

Street Address	City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Age	D.O.B.

Street Address	City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Age	D.O.B.

Street Address	City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Age	D.O.B.

Street Address	City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Age	D.O.B.

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Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Age	D.O.B.

Street Address	City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Age	D.O.B.

Street Address	City	Zip Code	Phone #1	Phone #2

☐ **Additional Witness**

Method

(AW) Arwen
(BC) Baton: (Control)
(BI) Baton: (Impact)
(BF) Bodily Fluids
(CN) Canine
(CR) Carotid Restraint
(CH) Choke Hold
(CT) Control Holds: (Control Techniques)
(TT) Control Holds: (Team Takedown)
(TD) Control Holds: (Takedown)
(CE) Chemical
(OC) Chemical Agents (OC Spray)
(TG) Chemical Agents (Tear Gas)
(EX) Explosives
(FH) Firearm (Handgun)
(FR) Firearm (Rifle)
(FS) Firearm (Shotgun)
(FO) Firearm (Other)
(FB) Flashbang
(FL) Flashlight
(OE) Other Weapon: Edged
(OV) Other Weapon: Vehicle
(OB) Other Weapon: Blunt Object
(OO) Other Weapon: Other
(PK) Personal Weapon: Feet/Leg: (Kick)
(PS) Personal Weapon: Feet/Leg: (Sweep)
(PH) Personal Weapon (Hand/Arm)
(PP) Personal Weapon (Push)
(PO) Personal Weapon (Other)
(RS) Resistance
(RO) Restraint Device (Other)
(RH) Restraint Device (Handcuffs)
(HB) Restraint Device: Hobble (Legs Only)
(TP) Restraint Device: Hobble (TARP)
(RE) Restraint Device: REACT Belt
(SP) Sap
(SH) Shield
(IR) Less Lethal Impact Round (other)
(SB) Sting Ball
(ST) Stun Bag
(TR) Taser
(UC) Uncooperative
(HR) High Risk

Type of Injury

(AB) Abrasion
(BR) Bruise
(BU) Burn
(CP) Complaint of Pain
(CO) Concussion
(DH) Death
(DI) Dislocation
(DB) Dog Bite
(FR) Fractures
(GS) Gunshot
(HB) Human Bite
(LC) Lacerations
(ND) Nerve Damage
(OD) Organ Damage
(PA) Paralysis
(PW) Puncture Wound
(SD) Soft Tissue Damage
(ST) Sprain/Twists
(UN) Unconscious
(RM) Refused Med Treatment
(NN) NONE

Body Part Involved

(AD) Abdomen
(AK) Ankle
(AR) Arm
(BK) Back
(BT) Buttocks
(CH) Chest
(EL) Elbow
(FA) Face
(FE) Feet
(FI) Fingers
(GE) Genitals
(GR) Groin
(HD) Hands
(HE) Head
(HI) Hip
(IN) Internal
(KN) Knees
(LE) Leg
(NK) Neck
(NO) Nose
(SH) Shoulder
(WR) Wrist

FORCE USED BY		FORCE USED AGAINST		Method (Code)	Type of Injury (Code)	Body Part (Code)
Name	E# or S#	Name	E# or S#			
Doss	S1	McDonald	E1	HR	NN	
Doss	S1	McDonald	E1	RS	NN	AR
Doss	S1	McDonald	E1	RH	NN	WR
Doss	S1	[redacted]	E2	HR	NN	
Doss	S1	[redacted]	E2	RS	NN	SH
Doss	S1	[redacted]	E2	RS	NN	AR
Doss	S1	[redacted]	E3	RS	NN	AR
Doss	S1	[redacted]	E4	RS	NN	AR
McDonald	E1	Doss	S1	CT	NN	AR
McDonald	E1	Doss	S1	RH	FR	WR
[redacted]	E2	Doss	S1	CT	NN	AR
[redacted]	E2	Doss	S1	CT	ST	SH
[redacted]	E3	Doss	S1	CT	NN	AR
[redacted]	E4	Doss	S1	CT	NN	AR

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

INCIDENT:	**Category 3 Use of Force / Fractured Left Wrist, Sprained Left Shoulder**
IAB FILE NUMBER:	**FO 2510478**
URN#:	**020-07436-2607-146**
DIVISION / UNIT:	**North Patrol Division / Palmdale Station**
DATE / TIME:	**Tuesday, June 2, 2020 / 1822 hours**
LOCATION:	[redacted] **East Avenue Q-10, Palmdale**

SYNOPSIS

On Tuesday June 2, 2020, an Internal Affairs Bureau (IAB) Force/Shooting Response Team, comprised of Lieutenant Chris Mouat, Sergeant Adrian Guillen and Sergeant Francois Chang, responded to Palmdale Station regarding a Category 3 use of force incident documented by Palmdale Station personnel, URN 020-07436-2607-145 **[Exhibits A and B]**. During the incident, Deputies Christopher McDonald, [redacted] and [redacted] arrested Suspect Jeremy Doss for domestic battery. They used control holds to overcome the suspect's physical resistance to take him into custody. It was later learned the suspect had a fractured left wrist and sprained left shoulder.

SUMMARY

On June 2, 2020, Deputies McDonald and [redacted] responded to [redacted] East Avenue Q-10 in the city of Palmdale, regarding a domestic violence call. They arrived on-scene at, or about, the same time as Deputies [redacted] and Dyer. The deputies contacted various family members who were standing outside. The family members stated Suspect Doss repeatedly pushed Witness [redacted] the [redacted] of the suspect's [redacted] in the face with a plastic Gatorade bottle. The family members claimed Suspect Doss had consumed alcoholic beverages and was still inside the home with Witness [redacted] and the [redacted] They also told deputies, Suspect Doss said he would fight law enforcement if they entered the location.

The deputies heard an argument inside the back of the home. The deputies entered and contacted Witness [redacted] and Suspect Doss, who was holding the [redacted] in the kitchen. Suspect Doss was holding the [redacted] cradled in one hand, as he argued with Witness [redacted] Witness [redacted] told them Suspect Doss had hit her on the face with a bottle and would not give her the [redacted] Suspect Doss ignored deputies and repeatedly shouted over them, telling the deputies to "Shut the fuck up," as they attempted to speak with him. The deputies had Witness [redacted] exit the house in order to gain Suspect Doss' attention and convince him to give them [redacted] She complied and exited.

Additional family members had entered the house and began screaming at Suspect Doss to give the deputies the [redacted] The deputies attempted to have Suspect Doss give them the [redacted] but he refused. He later stated he would give the [redacted] to Witness [redacted] The deputies had Witness [redacted] re-enter and Suspect Doss gave the [redacted] to Witness [redacted] Witness [redacted] and the other family members exited the house with the [redacted]

Suspect Doss still refused to cooperate and stated he would not allow deputies to handcuff him. The deputies convinced Suspect Doss to place his hands behind his back and interweave his fingers, allowing Deputy McDonald to search him, un-handcuffed. Deputy McDonald escorted Suspect Doss out of the house to the patrol vehicle. Suspect Doss was not handcuffed during the search and escort; however, he repeatedly said, "Y'all gonna have hard time getting me in a car," and "I'll sit on the curb, but you ain't getting me in no fucking car" **[Exhibit A, page 5]**. He also told the deputies, "You can search me, but I'm not going in handcuffs" **[Exhibit B, [redacted] Supplemental Report, page 1]**.

At the patrol vehicle, Deputy McDonald maintained his grip on Suspect Doss' hands. Deputy [redacted] who anticipated Suspect Doss would resist handcuffing, placed his right arm between Suspect Doss' right elbow and mid-back area and grasped Suspect Doss' left elbow with his right hand. Deputy [redacted] pulled Suspect Doss' elbows together, in order to allow Deputy McDonald to place handcuffs on the suspect. As soon as Deputy McDonald handcuffed Suspect Doss' left wrist, the suspect pulled his arms away. Deputy McDonald was unable to handcuff Suspect Doss' right wrist.

Deputy [redacted] placed her right arm between Suspect Doss' arms and back, and with her right hand grasped the suspect's left shirtsleeve and brought his arms together. Deputy [redacted] grasped Suspect Doss' left bicep with his left hand and the suspect's left forearm with his right hand. Suspect Doss stiffened his body and attempted to pull away from the deputies' grasp. Deputies [redacted] and [redacted] gave orders to Suspect Doss to stop resisting, who did not comply. The control gained by the deputies working together allowed Deputy McDonald to complete the handcuffing.

Once Suspect Doss was handcuffed, deputies ordered him to sit in the back seat of a patrol vehicle. Suspect Doss still refused. Deputy [redacted] placed his left arm under Suspect Doss' right arm, from the front, and laid his left forearm vertically along the right side of the suspect's back. Deputy [redacted] applied pressure to Suspect Doss' right shoulder with his left hand and attempted to leverage the suspect toward the door and into the vehicle by using his bodyweight. Suspect Doss planted his feet, placed his left shoulder against the frame of the patrol vehicle's door, and stiffened his body. The deputies attempted to guide Suspect Doss into the back seat; however, Suspect Doss stood up on his toes in order to prevent the deputies from seating him in the vehicle. The suspect continued to tell the deputies he would not sit down.

Deputy McDonald entered the back seat of the patrol vehicle, from the driver's side, and grabbed Suspect Doss' left bicep with his right arm. Deputy McDonald attempted to pull Suspect Doss' into the patrol vehicle. Suspect Doss further tensed his body and refused to sit inside the patrol vehicle. The suspect braced his left shoulder against the patrol vehicle's doorframe. Deputies Dyer and Courtial deployed their Taser and placed them against Suspect Doss' body in order to gain compliance. Neither deputy activated their Taser.

After numerous commands by deputy personnel, Suspect Doss told the deputies, "If you let go, I will get in" **[Exhibit A, page 6]**. Deputy personnel outside of the vehicle assured Deputy McDonald they had control of Suspect Doss. Deputy McDonald exited the back seat of the vehicle and Suspect Doss sat down in the patrol vehicle on his own accord.

Suspect Doss complained of pain to his left wrist when Sergeant [redacted] later interviewed him, on scene. Deputies Timothy Gardner, #[redacted] and Bryce Parker, #[redacted] transported Suspect Doss to Palmdale Regional Medical Center by, where Doctor Cory Wilson diagnosed him with a fractured left wrist and a sprained left shoulder.

INVOLVED PERSONNEL/WORK HISTORY

Christopher R. McDonald, #[redacted]
Deputy Sheriff,
North Patrol Division/Palmdale Station

Date of Employment:	09/07/2017
Date assigned to Palmdale:	02/02/2020
Completed Patrol Training:	[redacted]
Prior Founded Force Incidents:	

Equipment Worn on Person
Duty Weapon
Backup Weapon

Knife
Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) Spray
Expandable Baton
Handcuffs
Med Kit
Portable Radio
Flashlight

[redacted] #[redacted]
Deputy Sheriff,
North Patrol Division/Palmdale Station

Date of Employment: 09/20/2012
Date assigned to Palmdale: 11/18/2018
Completed Patrol Training: [redacted]
Prior Founded Force Incidents:

Equipment Worn on Person
Duty Weapon
Backup Weapon
Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) Spray
Expandable Baton
Handcuffs
Portable Radio
Flashlight

[redacted] #[redacted]
Deputy Sheriff,
North Patrol Division/Palmdale Station

Date of Employment: 06/20/2013
Date assigned to Palmdale: 02/12/2017
Completed Patrol Training: [redacted]
Prior Founded Force Incidents:

Equipment Worn on Person
Duty Weapon
Backup Weapon
Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) Spray
Expandable Baton
Handcuffs
Portable Radio
Taser

[redacted] #[redacted]

Deputy Sheriff,

North Patrol Division/Palmdale Station

Date of Employment: 01/12/2006
Date assigned to Palmdale: 10/21/2012
Completed Patrol Training: [redacted]
Prior Founded Force Incidents:

Equipment Worn on Person
Duty Weapon
Backup Weapon
Knife
Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) Spray
Expandable Baton
Handcuffs
Medical Kit
Flashlight
Portable Radio

Nicholas J. Dyer, #[redacted]
Deputy Sheriff,
North Patrol Division/Palmdale Station

Date of Employment: 09/06/2018
Date assigned to Palmdale: 12/22/2019
Completed Patrol Training: [redacted]
Prior Founded Force Incidents:

Equipment Worn on Person
Duty Weapon
Backup Weapon
Taser
Knife
Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) Spray
Expandable Baton
Handcuffs
Flashlight
Portable Radio

Michael J. Courtial, #[redacted]
Deputy Sheriff,
North Patrol Division/Palmdale Station

Date of Employment: 05/03/2010
Date assigned to Palmdale: 06/09/2018
Completed Patrol Training: [redacted]

Prior Founded Force Incidents: [redacted]

Equipment Worn on Person
Duty Weapon
Backup Weapon
Taser
Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) Spray
Expandable Baton
Handcuffs
Flashlight
Portable Radio
First Aid Kit

SUSPECT INFORMATION

Jeremy Doss
MB/25, DOB 04/20/95, 5'11"/165
CII #[redacted] MAIN#[redacted], FBI #[redacted]

A check of the Consolidated Criminal History Reporting System/Criminal Information Index (CCHRS/CII) revealed Suspect Doss had [redacted] For further, refer to Suspect Doss' CCHRS/CII, and Record of Arrest and Prosecution Sheet (RAPS) **[Miscellaneous Documents]**.

INJURIES

Suspect Doss
Doctor Cory Wilson at Palmdale Regional Medical Center diagnosed Suspect Doss with a fractured scaphoid of the left wrist and a sprain to his left shoulder. Refer to the Medical Booking Clearance and photographs of his injuries attached **[EXHIBIT D]**. Doctor Wilson stated he could not tell whether the injuries were pre-existing and declined to speculate on how the injuries occurred.

Deputy Personnel
None.

MENTAL STATE / INTOXICATION

Suspect Doss stated during his IAB interview he consumed "two shots of Brandy" **[Doss (IAB) transcripts, page 4]** prior to the force incident.

PHYSICAL EVIDENCE

None.

INVESTIGATORS' OBSERVATIONS

None.

WEAPONS USED BY DEPUTY PERSONNEL

None.

WEAPONS USED BY THE SUSPECT

None.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION CHARGES

Suspect Doss plead no contest to one count of Domestic Battery and Resisting / Delaying a Peace Officer. See the Los Angeles County District Attorney Charge Evaluation Worksheet **[EXHIBIT E]** for details.

LIGHTING AND WEATHER CONDITIONS

The weather on June 2, 2020, was partially cloudy. The incident occurred in the late afternoon and the sun illuminated the area. There were no abnormal weather conditions.

FORCE VIDEO

Witness [redacted] filmed the force incident from her cell phone and provide a copy to Sergeant [redacted] **[EXHIBIT C]**. The times used to signify the events is the elapsed interval on the recording, not the time the incident occurred.

00:13 - Deputies escorted Suspect Doss to patrol vehicle and stopped.

00:40 - Deputy [redacted] applied control hold to Suspect Doss.

00:41 - Suspect Doss turned side to side.

00:47 - Deputy [redacted] applied a control hold.

00:50 - Deputy Courtial placed a Taser on Suspect Doss' shoulder.

01:13 - Suspect Doss appeared to calm down. Deputies began to search Suspect Doss.

01:38 - Suspect Doss refused to sit in back seat.

01:59 - Deputy [redacted] attempted to leverage Suspect Doss into back seat.

02:01 - Deputy McDonald entered back seat from driver's side.

02:13 - Deputy McDonald pulled Suspect Doss toward patrol vehicle.

02:31 - Suspect Doss sat down.

02:36 - Deputy [redacted] closed patrol vehicle door.

SCC VOICE PRINT / RADIO TRAFFIC

Deputies broadcasted the transmissions for this incident via Dispatch 15 and Palmdale Metro. IAB investigators reviewed the radio transmissions **[EXHIBIT C]**. The indicated times were obtained from the voiceprint. The radio traffic is listed in chronological order and titled under their file names (i.e. SCC and Metro).

SCC 1

00:12 SCC requested Palmdale Units Code-3 for a 273.5 (Domestic violence) just occurred.

00:49 Unit 261 responded Code-3 (Response with lights and siren).

01:06 SCC advised "suspect in bedroom with [redacted]"

Metro 1

00:12 Units coordinated and discuss less-lethal options.

SCC 2

00:13 Request for any available Sam (Sergeant) unit to respond to location.

Metro 2

00:12 Units coordinated response and discussed less-lethal options.

SCC 3

00:13	Unit 264 requested "Any available Sam (Sergeant) unit to Palmdale Metro."

Metro 3

00:12	Unit 264 discussed response to location with Unit 260S, due to "suspect with history of 415 dep" (Fighting with deputies).

SCC 4

00:13	Unit 264 making entry.

SCC 5

00:13	Unit 261 requested backup unit for "multiple uncoops."
00:43	Upgrades to "one unit code-3."
00:57	Unit 260S responding code from the station.

SCC 6

00:12	Unit 266Y responds Code-3.
00:48	Unit 263F responds Code-3.
01:01	Unit 263A responds Code-3.

SCC 7

00:17	Unit 261 advised "all parties have calmed down, DP (Disturbing party) still inside house."

SCC 8

00:13	Unit 261 advised Code-4, "DP is handcuffed."
00:43	Unit 260S confirms location of Code-4. Still responds Code-3.

IAB Note: **Unit 261, Deputy [redacted] put out a Code-4 stating the "DP is handcuffed," as Suspect Doss was escorted out of the house with his hands behind his back; however, Suspect Doss was not yet handcuffed.**

SCC 9

00:12 Unit 261 advised "definite Code-4."

STATEMENTS

Internal Affairs Bureau investigators interviewed the below listed personnel and witnesses. The following is a summary of their interviews. For more information and precise wording, see digitally attached verbatim interview transcripts.

INVOLVED EMPLOYEES' STATEMENTS

Deputy Christopher McDonald

On July 22, 2020, IAB investigators interviewed Deputy McDonald at Palmdale station. Attorney Steven Welch was present during the interview and represented Deputy McDonald.

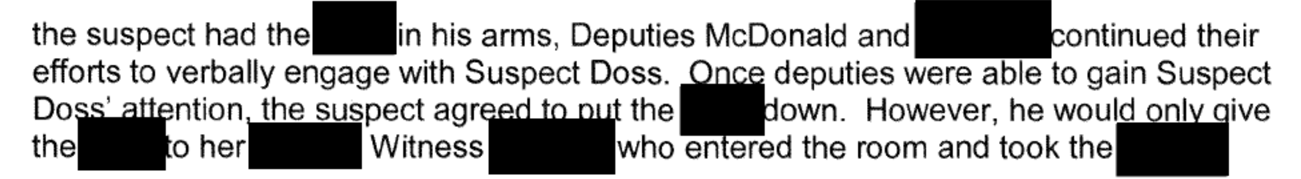
On June 2, 2020, Deputy McDonald was working with Deputy [redacted] as Unit 264. They responded to the location regarding a domestic assault call. When they arrived, several of Suspect Doss' family members stood outside of the house and yelled, "He needs to go, he needs to go" **[McDonald transcripts, page 6]**. They also told Deputy McDonald, Suspect Doss was intoxicated and pushed his [redacted] Witness [redacted] Suspect Doss also pulled their [redacted] out of Witness [redacted] arms. They additionally told deputy personnel, Suspect Doss had made a statement, about fighting deputies, if they responded to the location.

Deputy McDonald heard screaming coming from inside the house. He was concerned about the safety of Witness [redacted] and their [redacted] Deputy McDonald, along with Deputy [redacted] entered the house. As they made their way through the house, they could hear arguing coming from inside a room, near the kitchen. The door to the room was closed.

Deputies McDonald and [redacted] asked Witness [redacted] to exit the room. She opened the door and exited the room. Suspect Doss, also exited the room, holding the [redacted] Upon seeing the deputies, Suspect Doss cursed at his family and asked why the "cops" were there. He told the deputies to "Shut the fuck up," **[McDonald transcripts, page 9]** when they tried to speak with him. The family members stepped inside the house and a shouting match between them and Suspect Doss ensued.

Deputies [redacted] and Dyer were able to usher the family back outside of the house. Deputies McDonald and [redacted] continued speaking with Suspect Doss. Due to Suspect Doss' behavior, and the family members' refusal to cooperate, Deputy [redacted] radioed for backup.

Based on the suspect's statement about fighting deputies, potential nearby weapons (such as glass bottles and a large kitchen knife on a nearby counter), and the fact that


the suspect had the [redacted] in his arms, Deputies McDonald and [redacted] continued their efforts to verbally engage with Suspect Doss. Once deputies were able to gain Suspect Doss' attention, the suspect agreed to put the [redacted] down. However, he would only give the [redacted] to her [redacted] Witness [redacted] who entered the room and took the [redacted]

Suspect Doss repeatedly stated he would not allow himself to be handcuffed, and would not allow himself to be placed inside of a patrol vehicle. The deputies continued a dialogue with Suspect Doss and convinced him to place his hands behind his back and interweave his fingers. Deputy McDonald told Suspect Doss he would not handcuff him. Deputy McDonald searched the suspect for weapons, and escorted him out of the kitchen, while maintaining control of the suspect. Deputy McDonald felt safer to handcuff Suspect Doss outside the kitchen, as there were knives and bottles easily accessible to the suspects.

Suspect Doss complied while being escorted toward the patrol vehicle. During the escort, he continued making statements such as, "You're not gonna get me in handcuffs," and "I'll sit on the ground, but I'm not getting in the car" **[McDonald transcripts, page 11]**.

Deputies McDonald and Dyer reached the patrol vehicle. Deputy McDonald maintained control of Suspect Doss and attempted to coax him into calming down, at which point he became more irate. Deputy [redacted] approached from behind and told Suspect Doss they were going to sit him in the patrol vehicle. Deputy [redacted] placed his right arm between Suspect Doss' back and arms, cradling at the elbows, and pulled his arms together in order to allow Deputy McDonald to handcuff the suspect.

Suspect Doss pulled his hands apart then attempted to pull his arms forward, as if he wanted to position himself to fight deputies. Suspect Doss made numerous statements such as, "I'm too strong for this" **[McDonald transcripts, page 15]**, and continued trying to pull from their grasp. Deputy [redacted] gained control of Suspect Doss' left arm. Deputy McDonald removed his handcuffs and was going to apply them to Suspect Doss' wrist; however, due to Suspect Doss resistive movements, he put them back in his holder because he believed a physical fight was eminent. Deputy personnel maintained control and were able to pull Suspect Doss' arms back together behind him. Deputy McDonald gained control of Suspect Doss' left arm and applied the handcuff to his left wrist, then pulled the left wrist toward his right wrist. Deputy McDonald was able to apply the handcuff to Suspect Doss' right wrist.

Suspect Doss stopped pulling away and no longer tried to pull his arms or body away from deputy personnel, once handcuffed. Suspect Doss locked his legs, straitened his body, refused to sit in the patrol vehicle, and resisted any attempt by deputies to sit him down. Suspect Doss attempted to turn toward deputy personnel and maintained his stiffened position, in a manner which caused Deputy McDonald to believe he was going to attempt to head butt, bite, or spit on deputy personnel.

Deputy [redacted] attempted to communicate with Suspect Doss in order to coerce him into sitting down on his own. Suspect Doss continued to maintain his rigid posture and voiced his refusal. At the same time, Deputy McDonald opened the rear driver's side door and entered the back seat of the vehicle. Deputy McDonald grasped Suspect Doss' left bicep with his left hand and attempted to pull Suspect Doss inside the vehicle. Deputy McDonald felt Suspect Doss pull away from him, making his body more rigid. Suspect Doss said, "Okay, okay. If you guys let go, I'll get in the car."

IAB Note: When asked, Deputy McDonald stated he did not believe his hand ever grasped the handcuffed wrists or forearm of Suspect Doss. Deputy McDonald described Suspect Doss' level of resistance from his grasp as "aggressive" [McDonald transcripts, page 22].

Deputy [redacted] told everyone to let go. Deputy [redacted] made it clear he still had control of Suspect Doss, to which deputy personnel released their grip. Suspect Doss sat down in the back seat on his own.

When Deputy McDonald exited the vehicle, he walked around the vehicle and saw the rear passenger's side door had closed. Deputy McDonald was unaware of any injuries to Suspect Doss.

Deputy McDonald immediately reported the force he witnessed and used to Sergeant [redacted]

During the interview, Deputy McDonald reviewed the video of the incident **[EXHIBIT C]**. He did not amend his statement after the review.

On January 19, 2021, IAB investigators conducted a follow-up interview with Deputy McDonald at Palmdale station. He agreed to speak without representation.

Deputy McDonald, referencing his initial report **[EXHIBIT A]**, stated, he had developed enough probable cause to arrest Suspect Doss, after contacting Witness [redacted] the [redacted] of Suspect Doss' [redacted] as she was initially contacted standing next to Suspect Doss inside the home. She had told Deputy McDonald that Suspect Doss had hit Witness [redacted] in the face with a bottle **[McDonald second interview transcript, page 9]**. Witness [redacted] Suspect Doss' [redacted] had also told Deputy McDonald the same thing prior to Deputy McDonald entering the house, and corroborated the assault **[McDonald second interview transcript, page 3]**.

Deputy McDonald believed Suspect Doss would have either attempted to fight them or flee, if they informed Suspect Doss he was under arrest. Due to Suspect Doss' non-compliant aggravated state, and the statements given by Witness [redacted] about Suspect Doss wanting to fight deputy personnel, they attempted to put Suspect Doss at ease, in order to avoid a use of force. The deputies told Suspect Doss they just wanted to talk to

him, in order to gain his cooperation and escort him out of the house. During his escort, Suspect Doss had repeatedly stated they were going to have a hard time putting him inside the patrol car **[McDonald second interview transcript, pages 3, 8-10]**. Deputy personnel gathered additional supporting statements for the arrest, once Suspect Doss was secured in the patrol car.

Deputy [redacted]

On July 30, 2020, IAB investigators interviewed Deputy [redacted] in the IAB operations conference room.

On June 2, 2020, Deputy [redacted] worked 264F with Deputy McDonald. They responded to the location regarding a domestic violence call. They arrived at approximately the same time with Deputies [redacted] and Dyer.

> IAB Note: **Deputy [redacted] stated he believed he was working 264F; however, that day he and Deputy McDonald were 264. Deputy [redacted] was not listed on the in-service. He was pulled from the mobile field force (which was activated due to large-scale protests throughout the county) and partnered with Deputy McDonald on patrol.**

Witness [redacted] (Suspect's [redacted]), and several other unknown people where in the front yard. They advised personnel Suspect Doss had been drinking, took the [redacted] from his [redacted] and locked himself in the backroom with his [redacted] As Deputy [redacted] and assisting deputies approached the open door of the house, they heard arguing coming from inside. As personnel entered the location, Deputy [redacted] saw Suspect Doss in the living room, adjacent to kitchen, holding the [redacted] Suspect Doss was angry, yelling, waving his arms, and switching which hand he held the [redacted] Suspect Doss would not listen to deputies, and anytime the deputies spoke, Suspect Doss would talk louder about unrelated subjects.

At one point, Suspect Doss' family members entered the house and engaged in an argument with Suspect Doss. Deputies [redacted] and McDonald were able to corral the family back outside; however, the intensity of the arguing caused one of the deputies to request additional units, due to their uncooperative nature.

Deputy [redacted] lowered his voice and was able to gain Suspect Doss' attention, eventually coaxing him into giving the [redacted] to his [redacted] Witness [redacted] Deputy [redacted] had Witness [redacted] step back inside the room, and Suspect Doss gave Witness [redacted] the [redacted] without issue. Witness [redacted] went back outside with the [redacted]

Suspect Doss, while somewhat calmer, conversed with the deputies, who told him they would need to search him for weapons. Suspect Doss repeatedly told the deputies they

would not put handcuffs on him or put him inside of a patrol vehicle. Deputies had Suspect Doss walk toward them, away from a knife on the kitchen counter, and he allowed a deputy to search him. Deputy [redacted] believed if they attempted to handcuff Suspect Doss inside of the house, it would lead to an immediate fight. He told Suspect Doss they would not handcuff him and would escort him outside. Suspect Doss allowed a deputy to escort him outside with his hands interlaced behind his back.

IAB Note: **Deputy [redacted] could not recall if it was Deputy McDonald or Deputy Dyer that searched and/or escorted Suspect Doss. Deputy McDonald stated he searched and escorted the suspect his interview and Report.**

While deputies continued their escort of Suspect Doss, Deputy [redacted] approached the witnesses who were standing outside to continue with his criminal investigation. However, before he could contact anyone, he heard Suspect Doss screaming, "I'm not getting into the car" and "I'm not getting in handcuff's" [redacted] **transcripts, page 19]**.

Upon seeing Suspect Doss become irate and not handcuffed, Deputy [redacted] walked behind Suspect Doss, placed his right arm between his back and the crook of his right elbow, and grasped Suspect Doss' left bicep with his right hand. He reached over Suspect Doss' arms with his left hand, grasped the suspect's right elbow, and pulled the arms together with the intention of bringing the wrists together, allowing deputies to handcuff Suspect Doss.

Suspect Doss immediately tensed up, attempted to pull his arms apart, as he continued yelling how strong he was and challenging deputies. Deputy [redacted] instructed Deputy McDonald to handcuff Suspect Doss. Deputy McDonald applied the first handcuff quickly; however, Suspect Doss continued to move his hands and resisted Deputy McDonald. Deputy McDonald was able to overcome Suspect Doss' resistance and secured the second handcuff.

After securing the handcuffs, deputies attempted to have Suspect Doss sit in the back seat of the patrol vehicle, but Suspect Doss refused. Suspect Doss was facing the trunk of the patrol vehicle, near the rear wheel. Deputy [redacted] attempted to turn Suspect Doss toward the door, to their right; however, each time he tried, Suspect Doss would force himself forward toward the side of the patrol vehicle. Deputy [redacted] slid his left arm between Suspect Doss' right arm and right armpit, reaching his hand over Suspect Doss' right shoulder, with his forearm vertical along the right side of his back. Deputy [redacted] used his body weight, and the leverage of his arm placement, to pull Suspect Doss to the right to get him closer to the door of the patrol vehicle. Suspect Doss used a significant amount of resistance and forced himself back, which caused Deputy [redacted] to lose his balance.

Deputy [redacted] moved to a better stance and pulled Suspect Doss toward the open door. Once at the door, Deputy [redacted] used the leverage of his grip in an attempt to

move Suspect Doss' body down and forward, in order to sit him in the back seat of the patrol vehicle. Suspect Doss stood up, became rigid, and prevented Deputy [redacted] efforts to sit him down. Deputy [redacted] let go of his control hold, but maintained his left hand on Suspect Doss' right arm, while other deputies maintained physical control.

Suspect Doss told the deputies, "I'm stronger than you think" [redacted] **transcripts, page 26]**. Deputy personnel continued to talk to Suspect Doss, while he remained rigid preventing deputy personnel from seating him into the patrol vehicle. At one point, Deputy [redacted] felt Suspect Doss pull away from him and lean against the doorframe, bracing himself against the door.

IAB Note: **Deputy [redacted] later learned Deputy McDonald caused the pulling motion as he attempted to pull Suspect Doss inside of the patrol vehicle.**

Deputy [redacted] let go of Suspect Doss and walked around to the rear driver's side door of the patrol vehicle with the intention of pulling the suspect inside the vehicle. As he approached the rear driver's side door, he saw Deputy McDonald was already inside the back seat of the patrol vehicle. Deputy [redacted] heard Suspect Doss say "Let me go and I'll sit down" [redacted] **transcripts, page 29]**. As Deputy [redacted] walked back toward the passenger's side of the vehicle, he saw Suspect Doss sit down on his own. Deputy [redacted] walked away from Suspect Doss and the patrol vehicle, and turned his attention on conducting the criminal investigation.

Deputy [redacted] immediately reported the force he used and witnessed to Sergeant [redacted] Deputy [redacted] was unaware of any injuries to Suspect Doss, but he was aware Deputy personnel transported Suspect Doss to the hospital to be cleared for booking due to the force used.
During the interview, Deputy [redacted] reviewed the video of the incident **[EXHIBIT C]**. He pointed out, a [redacted] voice is heard stating, "They didn't have to push him like that," as Suspect Doss' body jerked away from Deputy [redacted] and towards the patrol vehicle. Deputy [redacted] clarified he did not push Suspect Doss, but rather, Suspect Doss was pulled away from him [redacted] **transcripts, page 41]**.

On February 4, 2021, IAB investigators re-interviewed Deputy [redacted] at Palmdale station.

Deputy [redacted] stated when he and other deputy personnel arrived, they contacted Witness [redacted] Suspect Doss' [redacted] and other family members. Witness [redacted] stated Suspect Doss had hit Witness [redacted] in the face with a bottle. She also stated, Suspect Doss had a history of fighting law enforcement, and was in his room with their [redacted]

Based on the statements given by the Witness [redacted] and the other family members at the location, prior to entering the house, Deputy [redacted] believed the crimes of spousal

battery and possibly child abuse had been committed. He and other deputy personnel entered the house to prevent any further injury to Witness [redacted] and the [redacted]

The deputies entered the location and Deputy [redacted] contacted Suspect Doss as he held the [redacted] Suspect Doss did not give coherent statements to him, refused to answer his questions, and spoke over him. Deputy [redacted] tried to calm Suspect Doss, as he was concerned Suspect Doss would rush into a room and barricade himself with the [redacted] During the conversation, Suspect Doss made specific statements about his intentions to not comply with deputy personnel and remained defiant.

> **IAB Note:** Deputy [redacted] did not recall when he had initially contacted Witness [redacted] as he focused on speaking with Suspect Doss. He said it is possible she was in the room, but he did not notice due to his focus on Suspect Doss [redacted] **second interview transcripts, page 12]**.

Deputy [redacted] believed he had enough information to make a detention and an arrest based on the information he had received [redacted] **second interview transcripts, pages 5-12]**. Deputy [redacted] believed if he had told Suspect Doss he was under arrest, Suspect Doss would have caused deputy personnel to have to use force. Deputy [redacted] used a mix of deception and honesty in the hopes of persuading Suspect Doss to voluntarily exit the house, place him in handcuffs, and sit him inside the patrol car, which Suspect Doss had already stated he would not do [redacted] **second interview transcripts, pages 15-17]**.

Once Suspect Doss was secured inside the patrol car, Deputy [redacted] and assisting deputy personnel conducted additional interviews in order to complete a thorough investigation.

Deputy [redacted]

On July 22, 2020, IAB investigators interviewed Deputy [redacted] at Palmdale station. Deputy [redacted] agreed to speak without representation.

On June 2, 2020, Deputy [redacted] was working Unit 261 with Deputy Dyer. They responded Code-3 to the location regarding a domestic violence call. They arrived in tandem with Deputies [redacted] and McDonald.

Upon their arrival, they contacted Suspect Doss' [redacted], [redacted] (Witness [redacted]), who was standing outside the house. She explained to the deputies, Suspect Doss had pushed the [redacted] of his [redacted] Witness [redacted] Suspect Doss was holding the [redacted] in back bedroom, arguing with Witness [redacted]
The deputies heard screaming from the back of the house. Deputies [redacted] Dyer, McDonald, and [redacted] entered the house and stopped outside of a closed bedroom door, where the living room and kitchen meet, and where the arguing was coming from.

Deputy [redacted] called for Witness [redacted] to exit the room. Witness [redacted] exited the room and told the deputies Suspect Doss had the [redacted] Witness [redacted] entered the house, along with another family member, and began shouting at Suspect Doss to give the [redacted] to Witness [redacted] Suspect Doss exited the bedroom and stepped into the kitchen area. Suspect Doss held the [redacted] across his left forearm, screamed, and pointed at the deputies with his right hand. Suspect Doss told the deputies, "Shut the fuck up," [[redacted] **transcripts, page 11]** whenever they attempted to speak with him. Due to Suspect Doss' erratic, agitated behavior, Deputy [redacted] believed a fight was likely to occur with the suspect.

Witness [redacted] and other family members continued shouting at Suspect Doss and refused to exit the house. Due to a lack of cooperation from the family and Suspect Doss, Deputy [redacted] requested additional units via her handheld radio, because she believed a physical altercation between the family and Suspect Doss was pending.

Deputy [redacted] was able to calm the family down and have them step outside, including Witness [redacted] however, Witness [redacted] refused to exit the house and stood inside the front door. Deputies [redacted] and Dyer stayed between the family and the suspect at the front door.

Deputies [redacted] and McDonald continued to talk with Suspect Doss. Suspect Doss agreed to give the [redacted] to Witness [redacted] who entered the house, took possession of the [redacted] and exited. Suspect Doss allowed deputies to search him and escort him out of the house.

IAB Note: Deputy [redacted] did not recall which deputy searched or escorted Suspect Doss out of the house.

Deputies escorted Suspect Doss to the rear of a patrol vehicle, as backup Deputies [redacted] and Courtial, arrived. Deputy [redacted] who stayed at the front door with the family, observed Suspect Doss with his hands behind his back and believed he was handcuffed. She notified SCC they were "Code-4A, at this time, suspect handcuffed" [[redacted] **transcripts, page 15]**. Deputy [redacted] immediately advised Deputy [redacted] Suspect Doss was not yet handcuffed.

Upon learning Suspect Doss was not handcuffed, Deputy [redacted] walked to the rear of the patrol vehicle, as Deputy McDonald attempted to handcuff Suspect Doss. As she neared Suspect Doss, she heard him refuse to cooperate with deputies. At one point, she heard Suspect Doss say, "Now I'm resisting" [[redacted] **transcripts, page 25]**.

As Deputy McDonald attempted to place the handcuffs on Suspect Doss, the suspect pulled his arms forward, raised his shoulders, and stood up on his tiptoes to avoid being handcuffed. Suspect Doss' actions caused Deputy [redacted] to believe the suspect was attempting to break free in order to run away. Seeing Suspect Doss' resistance,

Deputy [redacted] placed her right arm under Suspect Doss' right armpit, reaching across his back, and placed her left hand on his left shoulder in an attempt to bring the suspect's arms together. However, Suspect Doss pulled his body and shoulder from left to right, pulled away, and caused her to lose her grip. Deputy [redacted] was able to grab hold of Suspect Doss' left shirtsleeve and pulled the suspect's arms together. She heard Deputy McDonald say, "Okay he's handcuffed" [redacted] **transcripts, page 18]**.

Deputy [redacted] let go of Suspect Doss as other deputies restrained him. She opened the passenger's side door and unlocked the other doors of the patrol vehicle. Deputy [redacted] knew other deputy personnel had assisted in gaining control of Suspect Doss; however, she was unable to see who assisted due to her positioning. Deputy [redacted] remembered seeing a Taser pointed at Suspect Doss; however; she was unsure who had the Taser.

Deputy [redacted] repeatedly ordered Suspect Doss to sit inside of the patrol vehicle, but the suspect repeatedly stated he would not get inside of the patrol vehicle. Deputy [redacted] saw Deputy McDonald enter the back seat of the patrol vehicle through the driver's side door. Deputy [redacted] saw Deputy McDonald's head go up and down, but was unsure what he was doing. At that point, she saw Suspect Doss sit down inside the patrol vehicle. Deputy personnel on scene blocked her view. After Suspect Doss sat down, she heard a deputy repeatedly tell Suspect Doss to put his feet in the vehicle. She heard Suspect Doss refuse to comply as she walked away to continue her investigation.

Deputy [redacted] immediately reported the force she used and witnessed to Sergeant [redacted]

During the interview, Deputy [redacted] reviewed the video of the incident **[EXHIBIT C]**. She pointed out she did not recall the amount of "agitated and resistive" pulling Suspect Doss had done with his head and body [redacted] **transcripts, page 32]**.

Deputy [redacted]

On August 12, 2020, IAB investigators interviewed Deputy [redacted] at Palmdale station. Deputy [redacted] agreed to speak without representation.

On June 2, 2020, Deputy [redacted] was working Unit 266Y with Deputy Courtial. They responded to the location regarding a backup request. Upon arrival, they contacted Witness [redacted] who was standing outside of the house holding a [redacted] Witness [redacted] directed the deputies into the house, where other deputies were speaking with Suspect Doss. Another family member stated Suspect Doss was under the influence of "cocaine" [redacted] **transcripts, page 6]**.

When Deputy [redacted] entered the house, he saw Deputy McDonald talking to Suspect Doss, who had his hands behind his back. Suspect Doss was very agitated, had rapid speech, and his excited demeanor caused Deputy [redacted] to believe the suspect may have been under the influence of a controlled substance. Deputy McDonald advised Deputy [redacted] Suspect Doss was not handcuffed. Suspect Doss repeatedly told deputies he would not allow deputies to handcuff him or place him inside a patrol vehicle.

Deputy McDonald escorted Suspect Doss out of the house. Suspect Doss was physically compliant; however, during the escort, Suspect Doss was argumentative and made statements to the deputies about being physically stronger than them, how he could "take" them "on", and run away from them **[[redacted] transcripts, page 5]**.

Deputy McDonald escorted Suspect Doss to the open door of a patrol vehicle. When they arrived at the door, Deputy [redacted] held onto Suspect Doss' right arm. Deputy [redacted] placed his left hand on Suspect Doss' left bicep, with his body weight placed against the arm, and his right hand on the suspect's left wrist in order to maintain control. Deputy McDonald placed handcuffs on Suspect Doss. Suspect Doss continued to verbally threaten to harm and escape from deputy personnel.

As the deputies attempted to have Suspect Doss sit inside the patrol vehicle, Suspect Doss tensed up, planted his feet, and refused to enter the back seat. Deputy [redacted] felt Suspect Doss' body pull away from him, toward the inside of the patrol vehicle. He later found out Deputy McDonald had pulled Suspect Doss by his left arm in an attempt to force him to sit down in the vehicle.

Believing it was a matter of "ego" **[redacted] transcripts, page 7]**, Deputy [redacted] adjusted his tactics and attempted de-escalate the situation. While Deputy [redacted] maintained control, he told Deputy [redacted] to let go of the right arm and had Deputy Courtial put away his Taser, which he deployed as a method of de-escalation. Suspect Doss sat down in the back seat on his own stating, "I got in, you guys didn't put me in" **[redacted] transcripts, page 8]**.

When asked if he saw Deputy McDonald pull the chain of the handcuffs in order to have Suspect Doss enter the backseat, Deputy [redacted] stated he believed Suspect Doss' left elbow was inside the patrol vehicle, while Suspect Doss' hands and wrists were by his "groin" area **[[redacted] transcripts, page 15]**, outside the patrol vehicle with handcuffs on. He believed Suspect Doss' wrists would have been out of Deputy McDonalds reach.

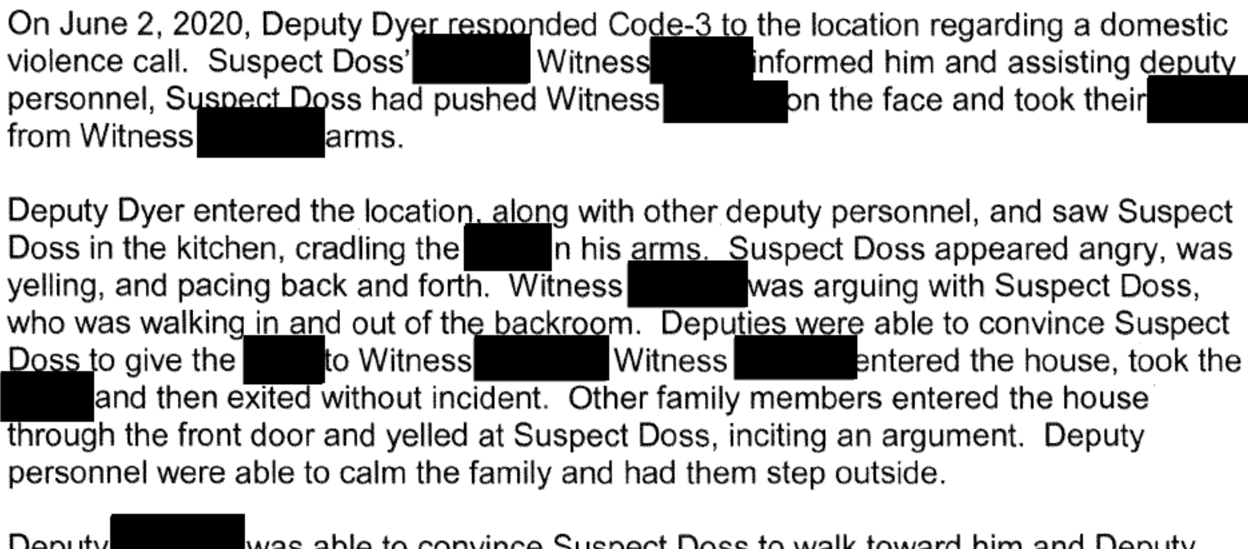
Deputy [redacted] immediately reported the force he used to Sergeant [redacted]

During the interview, Deputy [redacted] reviewed the video of the incident **[EXHIBIT C]**. He did not have any amendments to his statements the review.

WITNESS EMPLOYEES' STATEMENTS

Deputy Nicholas Dyer

On July 30, 2020, IAB investigators interviewed Deputy Dyer, inside the Internal Affairs operations conference room. Attorney Elizabeth Gibbons, who was present during the interview, represented Deputy Dyer.



On June 2, 2020, Deputy Dyer responded Code-3 to the location regarding a domestic violence call. Suspect Doss' [redacted] Witness [redacted] informed him and assisting deputy personnel, Suspect Doss had pushed Witness [redacted] on the face and took their [redacted] from Witness [redacted] arms.

Deputy Dyer entered the location, along with other deputy personnel, and saw Suspect Doss in the kitchen, cradling the [redacted] in his arms. Suspect Doss appeared angry, was yelling, and pacing back and forth. Witness [redacted] was arguing with Suspect Doss, who was walking in and out of the backroom. Deputies were able to convince Suspect Doss to give the [redacted] to Witness [redacted] Witness [redacted] entered the house, took the [redacted] and then exited without incident. Other family members entered the house through the front door and yelled at Suspect Doss, inciting an argument. Deputy personnel were able to calm the family and had them step outside.

Deputy [redacted] was able to convince Suspect Doss to walk toward him and Deputy McDonald, and they went outside. Suspect Doss allowed Deputy McDonald to place one hand on Suspect Doss' interwoven hands and the other hand on his bicep. Deputy McDonald escorted Suspect Doss out of the house without any physical resistance.

As Deputy McDonald escorted Suspect Doss out of the house, and while Deputy Dyer trailed closely behind, the suspect became irate. Suspect Doss made statements like, "I'll sit on the curb. If you try to put me in the patrol car, we're gonna have problems. You guys are gonna have a hard time putting me in that car" **[Dyer transcripts, page 11]**.

Once they reached the patrol vehicle, Suspect Doss tensed up and began pushing away from the patrol vehicle. Deputy [redacted] applied a control hold to Suspect Doss' arms and maintained control, while Deputy McDonald placed handcuffs on Suspect Doss. At the same time, Suspect Doss was yelling, jerking, and twisting his body as he attempted to pull his arms from the grasps of deputies.

Deputy Dyer believed Suspect Doss was physically resisting the deputies with the intention of assaulting them and running away. In an effort to de-escalate the situation, Deputy Dyer removed his Taser from its holster, placed it on Suspect Doss' abdomen, and ordered him to "stop fighting" **[Dyer transcripts, page 13]**. Deputy Dyer stated a second deputy pulled out a Taser and pointed it at Suspect Doss, but he was unsure which deputy it was. At the same time, Deputy Dyer heard another deputy, who he

believed to be Deputy [redacted] tell Suspect Doss to "Stop fighting, stop tensing up" **[Dyer transcripts, page 16]**. Once the handcuffs were secured on the suspect, Deputy Dyer placed his Taser back into the holster.

Suspect Doss continued to verbally refusal to enter the back seat of the patrol vehicle; however; a short time later, he sat down on his own in the back seat. Deputy Dyer did not recall any physical resistance by Suspect Doss to enter the back seat, nor did he recall any force used to make the suspect in the back seat.

Deputy Dyer immediately reported the force he witnessed to Sergeant [redacted]

During the interview, Deputy Dyer reviewed the video of the incident **[EXHIBIT C]**. He did not amend his statement after his review.

Deputy Michael Courtial

On July 22, 2020, IAB investigators interviewed Deputy Courtial at Palmdale station. Attorney Adam Marangell, who listened and responded over speakerphone during the interview, represented Deputy Courtial.

On June 2, 2020, Deputy Courtial was working Unit 266Y with Deputy [redacted] They responded to the location, Code-3, regarding an assistance request. When they arrived, they saw several unknown adults standing outside, who directed the deputies inside the house. When they entered the location, Deputy Courtial heard Suspect Doss yelling and deputies trying to calm the suspect down as they persuaded him to go outside. Suspect Doss verbally refused to go outside and appeared to be very agitated.

> **IAB Note:** **During his interview, Deputy Courtial referred to Deputy [redacted] as "[redacted]" or "[redacted]" rather than "[redacted]**

Deputy McDonald applied an un-resisted firm grip on Suspect Doss, and escorted him outside; however, Suspect Doss remained verbally defiant. As they reached the back of a patrol vehicle, Suspect Doss continued to talk about running away from deputies. While standing by the patrol vehicle, Deputy [redacted] attempted to handcuff Suspect Doss. In response to the handcuffing attempt, Suspect Doss stiffened up, raised his body, and pushed himself away from the patrol vehicle with his chest. Suspect Doss continued to state he would not go inside the patrol vehicle. At one point, Deputy Courtial placed his Taser on the back shoulder of Suspect Doss with the intention of gaining compliance.

Deputy [redacted] continued to try to de-escalate the situation by speaking to Suspect Doss; however, Suspect Doss continued to scream. Suspect Doss' family, who were standing nearby, were yelling at Suspect Doss. Due to the chaotic nature of the scene, Deputy [redacted] communicated with deputy personnel in order to prevent the situation from escalating.

Deputy McDonald entered the back seat of the patrol vehicle, through the driver's side, and attempted to pull Suspect Doss inside of the vehicle by the chain of the handcuffs. Suspect Doss was still "hesitant" **[Deputy Courtial transcripts, page 12]** to enter the patrol vehicle. Deputy [redacted] convinced Suspect Doss to sit in the patrol vehicle on his own. Deputy [redacted] guided Suspect Doss' head in order to avoid it hitting the doorframe of the patrol vehicle.

> **IAB Note: Initially Deputy Courtial stated Deputy Dyer had entered the patrol vehicle; however, after refreshing his memory by reviewing his report, Deputy Courtial remembered it was actually Deputy McDonald.**

Deputy Courtial immediately reported the force he witnessed to Sergeant [redacted]

During the interview, Deputy Courtial reviewed the video of the incident **[EXHIBIT C]**. After the review, he stated he did not recall the patrol vehicle doors were closed as the deputies walked up with Suspect Doss. He did not recall Deputy [redacted] standing where she was, and he did not realize how far he was standing during the incident. **[Courtial transcripts, page 19]**.

WITNESS STATEMENTS

Witness [redacted]

On June 2, 2020, Palmdale Sergeant [redacted] interviewed Witness [redacted] on scene, after the incident. Witness [redacted] stated she arrived at the location to drop off her [redacted] with Suspect Doss, the [redacted]

She entered the house and found Suspect Doss talking to himself. An argument ensued between them and Suspect Doss left the house on his bicycle. When he returned, the two continued to argue. Suspect Doss hit Witness [redacted] in the face with a Gatorade bottle containing beer and took their [redacted] from her arms. He then locked himself in the room.

Sheriff's deputies arrived and, "Jeremy said he was going to give the deputies a hard time" **[Witness [redacted] transcripts, page 2]**. Deputies were able to get the [redacted] away from Suspect Doss. Witness [redacted] saw a non-handcuffed Suspect Doss "resist" **[Witness [redacted] transcripts, page 2]** the deputies as they attempted to put him inside of the patrol vehicle, despite deputies' efforts to verbally persuade him to sit on his own.

Witness [redacted]

On June 2, 2020, Palmdale Sergeant [redacted] interviewed Witness [redacted] Suspect Doss' [redacted] on scene. She stated Suspect Doss was intoxicated on alcohol and drugs when he began arguing with his family inside of her home. The suspect left on his bicycle. When Suspect Doss returned, he argued with Witness [redacted] who held their [redacted] in her arms. Suspect Doss pushed a bottle he was holding onto Witness [redacted] neck, took the [redacted] from her, and then "barricaded himself in the room" **[Witness [redacted] transcripts, page 2]**.

When deputies arrived, Suspect Doss yelled at them and said things like, "You shut the fuck up" **[Witness [redacted] transcripts, page 2]**. When deputies escorted Suspect Doss to the patrol vehicle, he refused to sit and pulled his arms from the deputies. She stated he wanted "the officers to 'rastle' with him" **[Witness [redacted] transcripts, page 3].**

Witness [redacted]

On June 2, 2020, Palmdale Sergeant [redacted] interviewed Witness [redacted] Suspect Doss' [redacted] on scene. She stated Suspect Doss had argued with Witness [redacted] then left on his bicycle. When he returned, the two continued arguing and Suspect Doss took the [redacted] from Witness [redacted]

Suspect Doss told the deputies when they arrived, "I'm not getting in the car" [redacted] **transcripts, page 2]**. When deputies attempted to have Suspect Doss sit in their patrol vehicle, Suspect Doss "physically resisted," **[[redacted] transcripts, page 2]** then later sat down on his own.

> **IAB Note:** **Witness [redacted] recorded a part of the use of force incident with her cell phone camera, while inside the back seat of a vehicle parked in front of the location. Her voice, and the voice of two children, were heard in the video [Exhibit C].**

<u>SUSPECT STATEMENTS</u>

Suspect Jeremy Doss

On June 2, 2020, Palmdale Sergeant [redacted] interviewed Suspect Doss on scene. Suspect Doss stated he did not resist deputies, stating, "It looked like I was resisting, but I wasn't" **[Doss (Field) transcripts, page 1]**.

Suspect Doss stated a deputy pulled Suspect Doss' left wrist from inside the vehicle, while his shoulder was still "on top of the car" **[Doss (Field) transcripts, page 1]**, causing pain to his left wrist. He stated deputies, "all five of them," were "grabbing" **[Doss (Field) transcripts, page 2]** him, in order to force him inside the patrol vehicle.

A deputy "grabbed" the back of his shoulder and Suspect Doss told the deputy, "You don't have to do that. Let me go. I will get in the car." **[Doss (Field) transcripts, page 3]**. Suspect Doss then sat in the patrol vehicle.

Suspect Doss stated he had ingested "a shot," of Brandy, distilled liquor, prior to the incident. He denied any use of drugs or history of mental illness.

> **IAB Note: During the video interview with Sergeant [redacted] Suspect Doss has bloodshot, watery eyes and spoke with a thick, slurred voice [Exhibit C].**

On June 3, 2020, assigned IAB investigators interviewed Suspect Doss inside the Palmdale station jail. Suspect Doss stated he had been in an argument with his [redacted] and "It got out of hand" **[Doss (IAB) transcripts, page 1]**.

> **IAB Note: During the assigned IAB investigator's interview inside the jail, Suspect Doss had just woken up.**

Suspect Doss stated when deputies asked him to sit in the back seat of the patrol vehicle, he refused, because they did not explain to him what was going on and why they wanted him to sit in the patrol vehicle **[Doss (IAB) transcripts, page 7]**. Five deputies grabbed him at once and held his arms. Once deputies explained to him they were investigating a domestic violence call, deputies placed handcuffs on him and he sat in the back seat of the patrol vehicle **[Doss (IAB) transcripts, page 3]**. He stated his wrist began hurting after he sat in patrol vehicle.

Suspect Doss described at one point, a deputy inside the patrol vehicle pulled his wrist, while he was standing with his shoulder "on top of the car" **[Doss (IAB) transcripts, page 4)**. He believed the pulling of his wrist is what caused the injury to his wrist.